(b) if so, the status of expansion of school education system with regard to primary schools, secondary schools and higher secondary schools during the last five years till 2005-06; and

(c) the names of those States in the country where such expansion remains at minimum level and also of those where maximum expansion has taken place?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Numbers of recognized Elementary and Secondary/Higher Secondary schools during the last five years for which data is available were as follows:—

Year	No. of Recognized Schools (In Lakh)	
	Elementary Schools	Secondary/Hr. Secondary Schools
1999-00	8.40	1.16
2000-01	8.45	1.26
2001-02	8.83	1.33
2002-03	8.97	1.37
2003-04	9.75	1.46

(c) During the above five year period, total number of schools reportedly increased the most in Rajasthan, but showed a decline of up to 5% in West Bengal, Assam, Goa and Orissa.

Swadhar Scheme

†*523. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Swadhar Scheme has been launched by Government to look after the destitute women;

(b) if so, the facilities provided to the destitute women thereunder;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) the names of places in Madhya Pradesh where the said scheme is being operated; and

(d) whether some measures are being taken to make these women self-dependent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) Yes, Sir. Swadhar, a scheme for Women in Difficult Circumstances has been launched by the Central Government.

(b) The facilities provided to women in difficult circumstances under the Scheme include provision for food, clothing, shelter, clinical and legal support, economic rehabilitation through education, awareness generation, skill upgradation and behavioural training, Help-line facilities for women in distress.

(c) The places in Madhya Pradesh where the scheme is being operated is as per Statement enclosed (*See* below).

(d) Yes, Sir.

Statement

Names of places where Swadhar Homes are operating under the Scheme in Madhya Pradesh

1. 15-G, Bharat Nagar, Bhopal
2. Naka No. 3, Biaora, Distt. Rajgarh
3. HIG Duplex, A-38, Sarvodharma Kolar Road, Bhopal
4. 66, Kshapanale Marg, Freeganj, Ujjain

Names of places where Swadhar Help-lines are operating under the scheme in Madhya Pradesh:

1. S.P. Office, Distt. Mandala
2. Kotwali Thana Parisar, Distt. Dewas
3. Lal Bagh Jaiswal Bhawan College Road, Chindwar
4. S.P. Office, Distt. Sidhi
5. S.P. Office, Tikamgarh

6. A.J.K. Thana, Distt. Shajapur
7. S.P. Office, Hoshangabad
8. Mahila Thana, Gwalior
9. S.P. Office, Seoni
10. S.P. Office, Katni
11. S.P. Office, Branch Morar, Gwalior
12. Dy. S.P. Office AJK, Sheopur
13. S.P. Office, Panna
14. S.P. Office, AJK Thana, Unnao
15. T.T. Nagar Thana, Bhopal
16. Mahila Thana, Rewa
17. S.P. Office, AJK Thana Shahdol
18. S.P. Office, Mahila Thana, Ujjain
19. S.P. Office, Bahanpur
20. S.P. Office, Sub-Division Churhat, Sidhi
21. Sub-Division Morba, Sidhi
22. City Kotwali Parisar, Guna
23. Old Kotwali, Near Rajwada, Jabua
24. Police Control Room, Chhindwara
25. Sub-Division Vindhyanagar, Sidhi
26. Manmata Thana Banganga, Indore
27. Thana Pardesipura, Indore
28. Thana Juni, Indore
29. Thana Sanwar, Indore
30. Mahila Thana, Indore
31. Thana Chandan Nagar, Indore
32. Thana Malharganj, Indore
33. Thana Shahjanabad, Bhopal
34. Thana Branch Kotwali, Gwalior

35. Thana Govindpura, Bhopal
36. S.P. Office, Dhar
37. Mahila Thana, Bhopal
38. Habibganj Thana, Bhopal
39. Thana Kotwali, Bhopal
40. Thana Badrinath, Indore
41. Thana Mhow, Indore
42. Thana Sanjyogitaganj, Indore
43. Thana Kotwali, Balaghat
44. Sub-Division Wadha, Sidhi
45. Thana Depalpur, Indore
46. Sub-Division Deosar, Sidhi
47. M.I.G. Thana, Indore
48. Office Guildlines, Satna
49. Mahila Thana, Sagar
50. S.P. Office, Jabalpur
51. Control Room Compound, Mandsour

Assessment of creamy layer among OBCs

*524. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria for assessing creamy layer among OBCs for issuing OBC certificates to eligible persons belonging to OBC;

(b) whether Government will consider revising the asset and income criteria in view of the fact that the existing criteria is outdated;

(c) whether all the vacancies reserved for OBCs in all categories of jobs are being filled up; and

(d) the details of departments/job avenues where suitable OBC candidates are not found?